



**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**In re Application of:**

Pai-Hung Pan

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**For:** TECHNIQUE FOR FORMING  
SHALLOW TRENCH ISOLATION  
STRUCTURE WITHOUT CORNER  
EXPOSURE AND RESULTING  
STRUCTURE

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**Examiner:** G. Fourson III

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**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed on October 7, 2003, the three-month shortened statutory period for response to which expires on January 7, 2004.

**Amendments to the claims** are set forth in the listing of the claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper; and

**Remarks** start at page 6 of this paper.